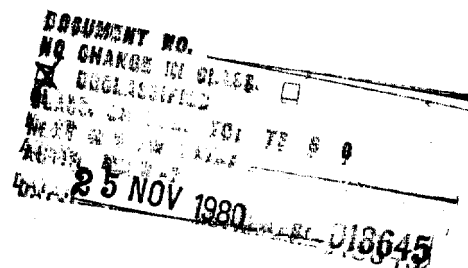


NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 22

15 February 1949



1. Members present were as follows:

Dr. Dunn	State
Lt. Col. Ruwet	Army
Lt. Col. DeHority	Navy
Cdr. Howell	Navy
Lt. Col. Gould	Air Force
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2. Lt. Col. Ruwet briefly explained the new organization of ID, GSUSA, and its functioning, particularly as regards the NIS Program. Provisions have been made not only for production and Agency review of NIS material but also for staff coordination and control of NIS activities. These functions will be directed by the Basic Intelligence Section, Intelligence Staff, which is headed by Lt. Col. Ruwet.

3. Ad hoc requests of the Joint Staff to IAC Agencies for basic intelligence material were discussed. The Chairman pointed out that the Joint Staff had been previously approached on this matter and requested, where feasible, to:

a. Submit requests of an NIS nature through the advisory member to the NIS Committee for examination to ascertain whether or not they may be satisfied by integration in some way with the NIS Program.

b. Frame requests in terms of specifically defined, rather than broadly stated, requirements so as to reduce to the minimum the work load on NIS contributors.

The members from Armed Forces Agencies stated that ad hoc requests of this nature are being received from the Joint Staff and that they do frequently interfere with the NIS Program. In an attempt to improve the situation, the committee members agreed to bring this matter to the attention of their Agency members of the Joint Staff, pointing out that the Joint Staff have indicated their requirements on a priority list upon which, together with Joint Staff indicated time limits, the NIS production schedules are based; furthermore, that while many of these requests reflect pressing current

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requirements which cannot wait upon the NIS production schedule, there are many which could be fulfilled through the NIS Program by a slight change of the NIS production schedule, and others which could be deferred, or modified to reduce the work load.

4. Announcement was made that NIS S45 (Okinawa) will be a special study with Chapter I-type treatment. Tables showing possible manner of treatment for chapters and supplements of NIS for areas appearing on the FY 1950 Production Schedule were distributed to the members. It was requested that members examine the FY 1950 Production Schedule in connection with these tables with a view to determining the method of treatment to be accorded chapters shown on this Schedule.

5. The question was raised why, when it is decided to treat in Chapter I (section) form material received in chapter form, it is necessary to return the material to the chapter coordinator when G/Ba's editorial staff may readily effect changes in the nomenclature of headings and subheadings. The following reasons were pointed out:

a. In many instances, substantive changes are required which should properly be made by the contributing agency.

b. In some instances, because contributors have originally followed the chapter outline too rigidly, it may be advisable to eliminate some headings or subheadings and integrate the material appearing under them with that of other headings or subheadings.

c. In any event, the chapter coordinator needs all of the material in order to prepare subsection "A - General".

d. If the only substantive action required is that under c above, the chapter coordinator may make pencil changes in nomenclature to reflect the new section treatment.

6. Members submitted the special requirements of their Agencies for NIS publications which are classified TOP SECRET.

7. Announcement was made, as of possible interest to the members, of the ratio between triple-space typed pages of NIS text and printed pages of the published NIS (4.3 typed pages = 1 printed page; 2 typed pages of tables = 1 printed page). Members were cautioned, however, that the size of the contribution is not necessarily the primary consideration in determining whether to use Chapter I (section) or full chapter treatment.

8. The question of determining the countries on which Chapter VII (Scientific) should be prepared and the scope of this chapter was discussed. The following points were made:

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a. Chapter VII is designed to cover the governmentally or privately conducted scientific research and development activities of a country, either which directly support military requirements or which have significant potential wartime usefulness.

b. There is a deep-seated tendency to confuse scientific with technical intelligence. While the line of demarcation between these two fields is not always clear cut, the concept seems reasonable and fairly firm that material is in the research and development stage, and therefore an appropriate subject of scientific intelligence, until it has been placed in production for applied use; and that from this point on it becomes a subject of technical intelligence.

c. Some items of material may properly be subjects of both scientific (Chapter VII) and technical (Chapters VI and VIII) intelligence. For example, if a country is producing the V-I for applied use, the manufacture of the rocket and its stockpiling would be treated in Chapter VI (Economic) and its characteristics, capabilities, and limitations would be treated in Chapter VIII (Armed Forces). If, however, the rocket is also being used in connection with research with a view to the development of a new type of equipment, treatment of it, as appropriate, would also appear in Chapter VII (Scientific).

d. The general treatment of educational institutions should appear in Chapter IV (Sociological). However, those aspects of educational institutions which are directly connected with scientific research and development (e.g., status and extent of instruction in certain branches of science and technology, specific research programs, etc.) would be treated in Chapter VII (Scientific).

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Members were urged to reexamine NIS areas appearing on the 1950 Production Schedule to determine which should receive any Chapter VII treatment and which type of treatment (full chapter or section of Chapter I) should be accorded. The Chairman offered to meet with the Chapter VII Subcommittee to assist in clarifying any obscurities still remaining with regard to Chapter VII.

9. At the request of Army, JANIS No. 71 (South and Central China) has carried a control statement - US OFFICIALS ONLY. The reason for this was that certain maps used in this JANIS were made by joint Sino-American

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effort with the agreement that they would not be made available to a third power. Army has now requested that the control statement be removed on the ground that the agreement no longer holds. Accordingly, memoranda cancelling the statement will be sent out to holders.

10. It was pointed out that material ordinarily treated in a supplement may, under certain conditions, be included in the parent NIS chapter or in Chapter I. For instance, if a country which has only one or two ports (e.g., Transjordan with only the port of Aqaba), the details normally contained in Supplement No. I (Ports and Naval Facilities) may be integrated into Section 35 (Chapter III). If (as for Transjordan), it has been decided to treat TRANSPORTATION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS in Section 12 (Chapter I), the Supplement No. I details regarding PORTS AND NAVAL FACILITIES may be treated in Section 12.

11. The treatment of Section 25 (TOWNS) of Chapter II (Military Geography) for NIS geographic areas involving more than one political entity (e.g., Chapter II of NIS 28-29-30-31 - Syria and Lebanon, Transjordan, Iraq, and Palestine) was discussed. It was pointed out that to give one overall treatment to towns of this complex area is unrealistic and confusing to the user. Rather, the treatment of common characteristics of towns should be included in Subsection 25A (GENERAL). Then Subsection 25B and succeeding subsections should treat each political area separately as required. The last subsection, "Comments on Principal Sources", should serve for both common and specialized treatment as deemed necessary.

12. It was pointed out that special consideration should be given to the method of treatment in chapters for such NIS areas as Korea and [REDACTED] which are divided into artificial subareas not permanently affecting certain overall intelligence aspects. For example, Chapters II (Military Geography), III (Transportation and Telecommunications), IV (Sociological), and IX (Map and Chart Appraisal) of NIS No. 41 (Korea) may well treat Korea as a whole. On the other hand, Chapters V (Political) and VI (Economic) may well accord overall treatment to such aspects as are common to North and South Korea and separate treatment to aspects peculiar to North and to South Korea. Chapter VIII (Armed Forces) may well give separate treatment to North and to South Korea. In all similar cases, treatment should be by section breakdown rather than entire chapter division.

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13. The status of NIS production was announced. It was pointed out that defections on scheduled submission dates and submissions on later dates results in heavy production loads during future months, which causes undue strain on the reviewing, editing and publication components of G/Ba. The necessity for realignment of effort by the IAC Agencies in order to achieve conformity with the FY 1949 Production Schedule was again pointed out as a means of improving the situation.

14. A list showing the dissemination of NIS for FY 1949 was shown to the Committee. It was pointed out that dissemination to some recipients,


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such as ECA and JIB, would require IAC Agency approval which would be accomplished by separate memoranda.

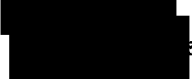
15. The Army member proposed that, for NIS Areas 35 and 36 (India and Pakistan), Sections 31-34, Section 38, and Supplement No. III should appear as one study. It was the consensus that all of Chapter III and Supplement No. III should appear as one study for both NIS No. 35 and NIS No. 36.

16. Tuesday, 1 March 1949, 1000 hours, were set as the date and time of the next NIS Committee meeting.

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